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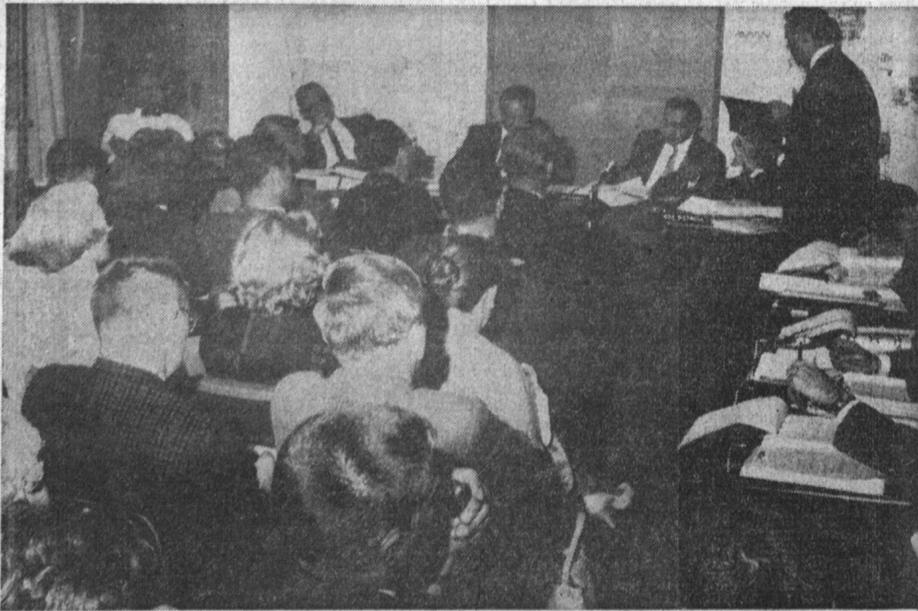
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SCHOOL BOARD FACED WITH RECORD \$13,600,000 ESTIMATED BUDGET



PITCH FOR RECOGNITION — Representatives of the California State Federation of Teachers, an AFL-CIO affiliate, Monday night appeared before the Torrance school board seeking recognition for their organization. Board currently recognizes California Teachers' Asso-

ciation as representative of faculty. Above, Ralph Schloming, executive secretary, outlines his organization's stand on current school policies to the board.

(Press Photo)

Council Approves Central Torrance Parking Area

Torrance city councilmen last night agreed to kick off proposed downtown Torrance revitalization program by purchasing a portion of land adjoining the Bank of America and converting it into a parking area.

However, the councilmen stated, downtown merchants should show their good faith and confidence in the future of the area by establishing an assessment district to purchase lots for other parking areas.

Cost of the purchase was estimated at approximately \$100,000.

Appearing for a large group of property owners in the downtown area were George Binder and Sam Levy. Binder stated that his organization could promise the signatures of some 40 percent of the property owners in the area, and was certain that the other 20 percent would be easy to acquire.

Mayor Albert Isen, commenting upon the move, stated,

"The majority of the council feels that the city should take the first step in this important project. Then it will be up to the downtown property owners to recognize the necessity for dressing up the district, providing proper parking facilities, and of maintaining it."

Council Districts

A meeting called to discuss possible councilmanic districting of Torrance will be held tomorrow evening at Walteria Park, it was reported yesterday. Meeting will start at 8 p.m.

All city councilmen are presently elected "at large."

Deadline Friday for 1962 Mother Fete

There are only two days left to submit entries for the Torrance "Mother of the Year" contest! The deadline is set for this Friday at noon—so if you haven't entered yet, be sure and do so immediately!

The accompanying entry blank on this page and a letter of fifty words or less about a deserving mother is all that is required to enter competition.

Rules of eligibility include service to home and family; dedication; setting a good example for her children and those outstanding qualities which make a woman a truly good wife and mother. Entrant must live in the Torrance Press circulation area.

An engraved plaque bearing the name of the winning mother will be given recognizing her for outstanding services to her home and family. Children, husbands, neighbors or relatives may submit their choices for "Mother of the Year."

MOTHER OF THE YEAR

If you feel that your mother, or the mother of a friend, is best qualified to become Torrance's "Mother of the Year" for 1962, you are invited to enter this competition.

List the reasons you feel that your candidate is best qualified in a letter of 50 words or less, and send it in with this entry form properly made out.

Remember, deadline is Friday, May 11, at 12 noon.

Candidate's Name	Sponsor's Name
Address	Address
Telephone No.	Telephone No.

Troop of Torrance Scouts Credited with Saving Life of Youth Injured in Fall

A group of Torrance Boy Scouts, on a weekend outing in Little Tujunga Canyon, Saturday were credited with saving the life of another youngster who had toppled over a cliff.

Gaining, but still in critical condition, in Pacoima Community Lutheran Hospital, is Larry Combs, 11, of Saugus. Combs and other companions were traveling along the rim of the canyon when the youngster slipped and fell 30 feet into the rocky bed of a stream.

Young companions of the youth ran back along the trail until they met members of Torrance's Troop 728, under the direction of Scoutmaster Raines, 1203 Kornblum

Ave. Raines and Nap Bilodeau, 923 Cerise St., institutional representative for the troop, lifted the youngster from the water to a sandbank.

Calling the rest of the troop, including assistant scoutmasters Eric Jones, 15, 1617 Maple Ave., Bob Raines, 15, of the Korn-

Commendation

Torrance councilmen last night unanimously passed a resolution commending members of Boy Scout Troop 728 for their action in saving the life of a Saugus youth. Motion was made by Mayor Albert Isen.

A plaque, commemorating the action will be presented to the troop.

blum St. address, and Randy Tyler, 16, 1207 Cranbrook, the group built a stretcher of materials at hand and carried the injured boy down the trail to where the autos were parked.

The youth was placed on the floor of a camper and driven to a ranger station several miles away. Rangers, in turn, made a radio call for an ambulance.

Physicians at the hospital stated that Combs was suffering from multiple deep laceration and fractures of both arms, a possible fractured skull and internal injuries. They credited the prompt actions of the Torrance scouts with possibly saving the youngster's life.



TROOP OF LIFESAVERS — Members of Torrance Scout Troop 728, which meets weekly at Fern Greenwood School, were credited with saving the life of a Saugus boy Saturday while weekend in Little Tujunga Canyon. Boys, and adult supervisors rescued injured 11-year-old youth who had fallen over cliff, carried him out

of wild area and radioed for help. Participating in real-life emergency were, above, Eric Jones, 15, 1617 Maple Ave., Randy Tyler, 16, 1207 Cranbrook; Troop representative Nap Bilodeau, 923 Cerise; Bob Raines, 15, 1203 Kornblum, and Ronnie Tyler, 1207 Cranbrook. (Press Photo)

Calls for \$8-Million Construction Bond Election Sept. 18

Members of the Torrance school board were introduced Monday night to the largest budget in the district's history and stated that they would ask recommendations from local businessmen before launching budget sessions.

Budget, submitted by Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of Schools, called for expenditure of \$13,672,624 during the 1962-63 fiscal year—a whopping \$1,700,000 over the current budget.

Board members, four of whom ran for office last year on a program of rigid economy, are expected to take formidable cuts out of the proposed budget before

it is finally approved. Tentative budget must be adopted by the board before July 1.

S. E. Waldrip, assistant superintendent, stated that this year's estimates have been predicted on a tax rate of \$3.1768 for each \$100 of assessed valuation and an estimated 10 percent increase in taxable property.

In a second action the board approved calling an \$8,000,000 school bond election on September 18.

Money will be used for capital projects including the construction of new schools and classrooms.

September date for the election was approved after

Waldrip stated that the money would be needed before the April school election.

Earlier, it had been suggested that the board place the bond issue on the April ballot for purposes of economy.

However, it was noted that, if the election was held on the later date, it would be necessary to curtail construction on several projects, including the expanded Torrance High School and elementary school building program, until more money could be acquired.

Recognizing the need for continued construction, a board recommended an earlier date.



WIPED OUT — Three Torrance area youngsters were injured in this crash Monday afternoon at the corner of Crenshaw and Pacific Coast Hwy. Youngsters, Dale, Jeffrey and Craig Polzin, 27659 Longhill Drive, in the

Palos Verdes area, were treated for injuries at Little Company of Mary Hospital. Above, Torrance officer Kenneth Halbert directs traffic around the scene of the crash.

(Press Photo)



DISTINGUISHED VISITOR — California's Lieutenant Governor Glen Anderson Monday toured Torrance and made an unscheduled stop at the offices of the Torrance Press. Shown

above, chatting with campaign officials and newsmen, are Torrance Councilman J. A. Beasley, Police Chief Percy Bennett, Anderson, and Press Rubisher William R. Zappac.